

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

August 17, 2000

Jacquelyn E. Stone, Treasurer Cantor For Congress 2500 E. Parham Road, Suite 5 Richmond, VA 23228

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Reference: Amended April Quarterly Report (1/1/00-3/31/00) received 6/1/00

Dear Ms. Stone:

On July 18, 2000, you were notified that a review of the above-referenced report(s) raised questions as to specific contributions and/or expenditures, and the reporting of certain information required by the Federal Election Campaign Act.

Your July 31, 2000 response is incomplete because you have not provided all the requested information. For this response to be considered adequate, the following information is still required.

The letter that you enclosed from First Union Securities "clarifying the loan made by the candidate" indicates that a check in the amount of \$100,000 came from the candidate's joint account as a standard customer loan using securities in the investment account as collateral.

A contribution/loan from a brokerage house or an investment firm is prohibited by the Act, even if the brokerage house or investment firm is affiliated with an acceptable bank. You should refund the full amount to the donor and notify the Commission of such action. The refund must be made within thirty days of the treasurer becoming aware of the impermissibility of the loan. Copies of refund checks for the contribution in question may be used to respond to this letter. The refund should be reported on Schedule B supporting Line 20 (a) or the report covering the period in which the refund is made. (11 CFR §104.8 (d)(4)).

For your information, an individual, including a candidate's spouse, may not make contributions to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$1,000 per

election. As the loans were drawn from a joint account, the amount of the contribution attributed to the candidate's spouse needs to be returned.

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by September 6, 2000. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

If you should have any questions related to this matter, please contact Jill I. Sugarman on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson

Assistant Staff Director Reports Analysis Division

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